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The Fitzsimon File:

Monday numbers

By [Chris Fitzsimon](#)

4.4---percentage of the world's population that lives in the United States (*"Gun violence in America, explained in 17 maps and chart, Vox, October 2, 2017*)

42---percentage of the civilian-owned guns in the world in the United States (*Ibid*)

265 million---number of guns owned by Americans in 2015 (*"Gun inequality: US study charts rise of hardcore super owners. The Guardian, September 29, 2016*)

133 million---number of guns owned by three percent of American adults (*Ibid*)

17---average number of guns owned by top three percent of gun owners (*Ibid*)

70---increase in the total number of guns owned by Americans since 1994 (*Ibid*)

400,000---number of guns stolen each year in the United States (*Ibid*)

22---minimum percentage of current U.S. gun owners who acquired a firearm within the past 2 years without a background check (*"Firearm Acquisition Without Background Checks: Results of a National Survey, Annals of Internal Medicine, February 21, 2017*)

5---number of times a domestic violence victim is more likely to be killed if their abuser has access to a gun (*12 Facts That Show How Guns Make Domestic Violence Even Deadlier, The Trace, August 22, 2016*)

29.7---number of homicides by firearm per one million people in the United States (*"Gun violence in America, explained in 17 maps and chart, Vox, October 2, 2017*) [[Read more...](#)]

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